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Introduction

These Release Notes describe new features and enhancements in the documentation for the EZ-Guide® Plus lightbar guidance system version 4.10.

They contain information regarding:

- Major new features and enhancements
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 - EZ-Boom™ 2010 automated application control system
- Minor enhancements
 - EZ-Guide Plus system
 - EZ-Boom 2010 system
- Upgrade procedure

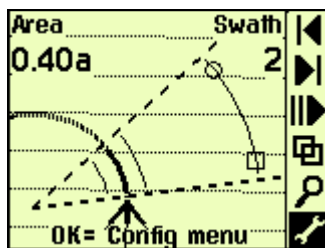
Major new features and enhancements

This section lists all the major changes since the EZ-Guide Plus system firmware version 4.00.

Enhanced EZ-Guide Plus system functionality

The following major improvements have been made to the EZ-Guide Plus system firmware:

- You can set the Trimble RTK radio network ID. To do this, select *GPS / Corrections*. If you use a non-Trimble radio, set the Network ID to 255. This tells the lightbar that you do not want to choose a radio network ID.
- OmniSTAR XP/HP correction performance is improved. The default limit for the *Minimum SNR* value has been lowered from 38 to 35 to enable you to use OmniSTAR XP/HP corrections when signal strength is lower.
- The lightbar can calculate the area of a pivot. To view the area, set one of the status text items to Field Area. When you enter the part of the pivot that you defined, the *Field Area* status text shows the area from the current swath inwards:

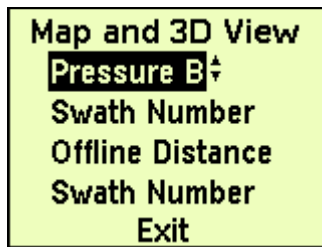


Enhanced EZ-Boom 2010 system functionality

The EZ-Guide Plus firmware has the following enhancements for the EZ-Boom 2010 automated application control system:

Second pressure sensor compatibility

If a second pressure sensor is connected to the sprayer, the EZ-Guide Plus firmware enables you to calibrate it. To view the pressure of the second sensor, add the Pressure B status text item:

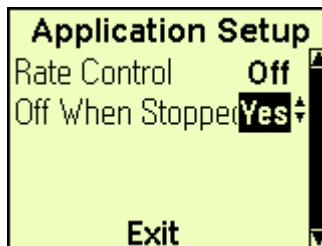


Grounded PWM flow control valve compatibility

The firmware supports grounded PWM flow control valves, as fitted on RoGator xx74 series sprayers.

Support for clutch-operated planter sections

The *Off When Stopped* option is added to the *Application Setup* screen. It appears only when the *Rate Control* option is set to Off. When the vehicle is a clutch operated planter and the *Off When Stopped* option is set to No, you can continue planting even when the vehicle is stopped.

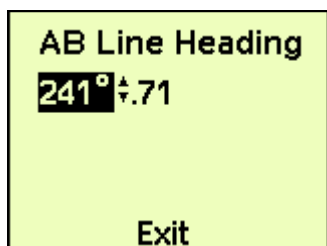


Minor enhancements

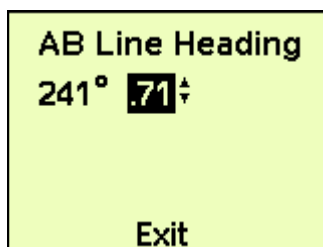
The following minor enhancements have been made to the firmware in version 4.10:

Defining an A+ line

It is now easier to select the heading of an A+ line. When you create a new A+ line, the *AB Line Heading* screen appears:



1. Set the whole number of degrees of the line heading.
2. Press the **OK** button. The cursor moves to the decimal numbers:



3. Enter the decimal part of the line heading.
4. Press the **OK** button.

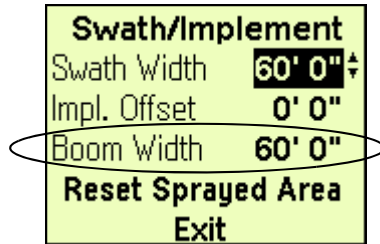
Other minor enhancements

- NMEA message outputting is improved to ensure compatibility with a wider range of devices that accept NMEA input.
- EGNOS (European Geostationary Navigation Overlay Satellite Service) corrections performance is improved.
- The WAAS corrections satellite PRN 138 is added to the firmware.

Note – PRN 138 is not yet fully operational, so is disabled by default. Trimble recommends that you do not enable PRN 138 until the FAA declares it to be fully implemented and operating correctly.

Minor EZ-Boom 2010 system enhancements

- When the EZ-Boom 2010 system is connected to the lightbar and you reset guidance, the Boom Width value appears on the *Swath/Implement* screen:



Note – You cannot adjust the boom width on this screen. It appears so you can see the current setting.

- The lightbar monitors the EZ-Boom 2010 system temperature and then warns you if it is too high.

Upgrade procedure

Note – Saved vehicle configurations from versions of the firmware prior to version 4.00 are not compatible with the version 4.00 or 4.10 firmware. To keep a vehicle configuration, write the vehicle settings down before you perform the firmware upgrade and then re-enter the settings in the new firmware.

To upgrade your EZ-Guide Plus lightbar to firmware version 4.10:

1. Download the EZ-Toolbox™ software version 2.10 from www.EZ-Guide.com and then install it.
2. Download the firmware version 4.10 from www.EZ-Guide.com.
3. Follow the instructions in the *EZ-Toolbox Software User Guide*. The *User Guide* is provided with the software.



CAUTION – The EZ-Guide Plus system is compatible with the EZ-Steer system only when the EZ-Steer system has firmware version 3.00.01 **or earlier**. The EZ-Guide Plus system is not compatible with EZ-Steer firmware version 4.00 or later.

4. If you also own the EZ-Steer system, use the EZ-Toolbox software to upgrade the EZ-Steer controller firmware to the latest version. Go to www.EZ-Steer.com. The current EZ-Steer system firmware is version 3.00.01.
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